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## Banks.

THE NEW ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION, LIMITED.

AUTHORIZED CAPITAL ..... \$2,000,000.  
PAID-UP CAPITAL ..... \$280,000.

LONDON: Head Office, 40, Threadneedle Street, West End Office, 25, Cockspur Street.

BRANCHES IN INDIA, CHINA, JAPAN AND THE COLONIES.

THE BANK receives Money on Deposit, Buys and Sells Bills of Exchange, Issues Letters of Credit, forwards Bills for Collection, and Transacts Banking and Agency Business generally, on terms to be had on application.

INTEREST ALLOWED ON DEPOSITS:  
Fixed for 12 months, five per cent. per annum.  
" 6 " 4 " "  
" 3 " 3 " "  
ON CURRENT DEPOSITS, ACCOUNTS 2 per cent. per annum on the Daily Balance.

E. W. RUITTER,  
Manager.  
Hongkong, September 4, 1890. 1362

## NOTICE.

RULES OF THE HONGKONG SAVINGS' BANK

1.—The branches of the above Bank will be conducted by the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, on their premises in Hongkong. Business hours on work-days, 10 to 3; Saturdays, 10 to 1.

2.—Deposits less than \$1, or more than \$250 at one time will not be received. No depositor may deposit more than \$2,500 in any one year.

3.—Depositors in the Savings' Bank having \$100 or more at their credit may at their option transfer the same to the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation on fixed deposit for 12 months at 5 per cent. per annum interest.

4.—Interest at the rate of 3½ per cent. per annum will be allowed to depositors on their daily balances.

5.—Each Depositor will be supplied gratis with a Pass-Book which must be presented with each payment or withdrawal. Depositors must not make any entries themselves in their Pass-Books but should send them to be written up at least twice a year, about the beginning of January and beginning of July.

6.—Correspondence as to the business of the Bank, if marked *On Hongkong Savings' Bank Business*, is forwarded free by the various British Post Offices in Hongkong and China.

7.—Withdrawals may be made on demand, but the personal attendance of the depositor or his duly appointed agent and the production of his Pass-Book are necessary.

FOR THE  
HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING  
CORPORATION,

F. DE BOVIS,  
Acting Chief Manager.  
Hongkong, January 1, 1891. 754

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL ..... \$9,296,677.07  
RESERVE FUND ..... \$6,806,595.31  
RESERVE LIABILTY ..... \$9,296,677.07

GOURE OF DIRECTORS.  
Chairman—J. S. MORRIS, Esq.  
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HONGKONG.  
INTEREST ALLOWED  
ON Current Deposit Account at the rates  
of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily  
balance.

On Fixed Deposits—  
For 3 months, 2 per cent. per annum.  
" 6 " 4 per cent. "  
" 12 " 5 per cent. "

LOCAL BANK DISCOUNTED.  
Credits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

Deposits granted on London, and the chief Commercial cities in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

F. DE BOVIS,  
Acting Chief Manager.  
Hongkong, March 11, 1891. 363

## Intimations.

### NOTICE.

HONGKONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

THE Annual General MEETING of the MEMBERS of the HONGKONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE will be held on FRIDAY, the 20th March, at 3.30 p.m., at the ROOMS of the CHAMBER, City Hall, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Committee, and passing the Secretary's Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1890.

By Order,  
F. HENDERSON,  
Secretary.

Hongkong, March 11, 1891. 481

HONGKONG SCHOOLS' ATHLETIC SPORTS.

BY kind Permission of the JOCKEY CLUB, the SPORTS connected with the above will be held on the RACE COURSE, on the 21st INSTANT, commencing at 1.30 P.M.

LADY DES VIEUX has kindly consented to Distribute the Prizes.

SELECTIONS OF MUSIC will be given at intervals by the BAND of the A. & S. HIGHLANDERS.

EDW. JNO. BOARDS,  
Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, March 18, 1891. 584

HONGKONG CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

REGULAR CONVOCATION of the above CHAMBER will be held in the FREEMASONS' HALL, Zetland Street, on FRIDAY NEXT, the 20th Instant, at 8.30 for 9 p.m. precisely.

VISITING BRETHREN are cordially INVITED to attend.

Hongkong, March 16, 1891. 526

THE CHINA SUGAR REFINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE Thirteenth Ordinary Annual MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the OFFICE of the Company, Pedder's Street on SATURDAY, the 21st March, at 11 a.m., for the purpose of receiving a Report from the General Agents with a Statement of Accounts to the 31st December, 1890.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 8th to the 23rd Instant, both days inclusive.

RUSSELL & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, March 6, 1891. 450

THE BALMORAL GOLD MINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS in the above COMPANY will be held at the HONGKONG HOTEL on WEDNESDAY, the 25th day of MARCH, 1891, at 2.30 P.M. in the Afternoon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and a Statement of Accounts to the 30th day of September, 1890.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 18th instant to the 20th instant, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

K. A. STEVENS,  
Secretary.

Hongkong, 10th March, 1891. 470

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By Order of the Board of Directors,

K. A. STEVENS,  
Secretary.

Hongkong, 10th March, 1891. 470

THE BALMORAL GOLD MINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given, that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS in the above COMPANY will be held at the HONGKONG HOTEL, VICTORIA, in the Colony of HONGKONG, at 2.45 o'clock P.M., on WEDNESDAY, the 25th day of MARCH, 1891, for the purpose of considering, and if approved of passing, the following Special Resolution—

"That the Capital of The Balmoral Gold Mining Company, Limited, be increased from \$180,000 to \$225,000 by the creation of Four Thousand and Five Hundred New Shares of 50 cents each to be fully paid up. And that such New Shares be issued upon such terms and conditions and generally with such rights and privileges as shall be resolved upon by the Directors, and if no direction be given as the Directors shall determine."

By Order of the Board of Directors,

K. A. STEVENS,  
Secretary.

Hongkong, 10th March, 1891. 471

THE CHINA & MANILLA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given, that an Extraordinary General MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS in the above COMPANY will be held at the OFFICE of the General Agents, Pedder's Street, on THURSDAY, the 26th March, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving a Report from the General Agents with a Statement of Accounts to the 31st December, 1890.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be closed from 16th to 20th instant, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., General Agents.

Hongkong, March 12, 1891. 482

## Business Notices.

### LANE-CRAWFORD & CO.

#### MUSICAL DEPARTMENT.

##### A NEW SELECTION OF

VIOLINS, TENORS, BANJOS, GUITARS, MANDOLINES AND ZITHERS.

CORNETS, SAXHORNS, BARITONES, EUPHONIUMS AND TROMBONES.

CLARINETS, OBOES, FLUTES, PICCOLOS, FIFES AND FLAGEOLETTES.

VIOLIN, BANJO, GUITAR AND MANDOLINE STRINGS.

VIOLIN CASES AND BOWS.

GUITAR CASES.

FITTINGS FOR ALL MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS.

A LARGE STOCK OF MUSIC.

SELECTIONS may be had on Approval.

PIANOS,

By BROADWOOD, COLLARD, CHAPPELL and OTHER ENNINENT MAKERS.

PIANOS TUNED.

PIANOS REPAIRED.

Pianos on the Monthly Payment System.

Hongkong, February 28, 1891. 413

W. POWELL & Co.

JUST RECEIVED

A NEW STOCK

OF

LADIES' AND CHILDREN'S

UNDERCLOTHING.

W. POWELL & Co.

VICTORIA EXCHANGE, March 14, 1891.

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WILKINSON'S

ESSENCE OR FLUID EXTRACT OF

RED JAMAICA SARSAPELLA.

Is the only Preparation recognized by the Faculty as a wonderful

PURIFIER OF THE HUMAN BLOOD.

We cannot speak too highly of it.—Lancet.

We recommend your RED JAMAICA SARSAPELLA.—MEDICAL REVIEW.

The only preparation for removing what may be called the sequela of a mercureal course.—Sir B. MARTIN.

I can never without it, for when feeling depressed or out of sorts, from anxiety and fatigue, a dose or two animates me.—THE LATE LORD CLYDE.

Your Essence of RED JAMAICA SARSAPELLA cured me of a Torpid Liver when all other remedies failed.—EARL OF ALDROUGH.

CAUTION.—Beware of worthless and injurious articles offered to the public. Insist on having Wilkinson's Essence of Red Jamaica Sarapeella, and the Trade PREPARATION BY THOMAS WILKINSON, London, W. Sold in Small, Medium, and Large Bottles. HONGKONG: DAKIN BROTHERS, A. WATSON & CO., and all the leading firms at home and abroad.

WILKINSON'S SARSAPELLA.

Superiority of WILKINSON

# THE CHINA MAIL.

## Entertainments.

THEATRE ROYAL,

CITY HALL.

THE HONG KONG AMATEUR DRAMATIC CLUB.

The above CLUB will give a PERFORMANCE ON MONDAY, March 30th,

AND TUESDAY, March 31st,

When will be produced an Original Comedy by JAMES ALBERT, entitled

**TWO ROSES.**

By kind permission of Lieut. COLONEL CHATER and the OFFICERS, the BAND of the 1st Battalion, Argyle and Sutherland Highlanders will perform during the evening.

Tickets can be obtained from Messrs. LANE, Crawford & Co., and after Monday, March 23rd, at 11 a.m.

PRICE, - 82 and \$1.

Doors open at 8.30 p.m. Performance to commence at 9 o'clock p.m.

Hongkong, March 16, 1891. 510

## Intimations.



### GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

INFORMATION has been Received from the MILITARY AUTHORITIES that ARTILLERY PRACTICE will take place from the Batteries at Lyomun in North-Western and Easterly directions, North Point in a North-Easterly direction, and Kowloon Dock in Easterly direction; from 10th to 12th instant between the hours of 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. daily.

All SHIPS, JUNKS and other VESSELS are ORDERED to keep clear of the Range.

By Command,

W. M. DUNN,  
Acting Colonial Secretary.

COLONIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE,  
Hongkong, 11th March, 1891. 497

### CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LIMITED.

### ADJUSTMENT OF BONDS FOR THE YEAR 1890.

CONTRIBUTORS to the above OFFICE are requested to furnish the Under-signed with a List of their CONTRIBUTIONS for the year ending 31st December, 1890, in Order that the DISTRIBUTION of BONDS may be arranged. Returns not rendered prior to the 31ST DAY OF MARCH INSTANT, will be adjusted by the OFFICE, and no Claims or Alterations will be subsequently admitted.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,  
General Agents,

CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LIMITED.

March 2, 1891. 423

### To-day's Advertisements.

### THEATRE ROYAL,

SATURDAY, 21st March.

Under the distinguished Patronage of His EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR, SIR G. WILLIAM DES VUEUX, K.C.M.G., and LADY DES VUEUX.

M.R. GEO. C. MILN,

Supported by  
MISS LOUISE JORDAN  
and ORIGINAL COMPANY, in  
"HAMLET."

CAST OF CHARACTERS.

Claudius, King of Denmark... Mr. J. H. Nunn.  
Hamlet, Prince of Denmark... Mr. G. C. MILN.  
Polonius, Court Chamberlain... Mr. Joe Stark.

Lairds, a Courier... Mr. J. B. Atherton.

Horatio, a Scholar, Friend to Hamlet... Mr. W. J. Montgomery.

Rosencrantz & Guildenstern, Courtiers... Mr. H. Hall.

Orie... Mr. A. Money.

Friar... Mr. D. Thackeray.

Marcellus... Mr. L. Herbert.

Berardo... Mr. Jas. Brooke.

Francisco... Mr. E. Wallon.

Ghost of Hamlet's Father Mr. Wilmot Evere.

First Actor... Mr. C. Wakefield.

Second Actor... Mrs. R. Bouquet.

First Grave Digger... Mr. C. Edeot.

Second Grave Digger... Mr. Clark.

Gertrude, Queen of Denmark... Miss E. Dennermark.

Player Queen... Miss Frances Ross.

OPHELIA... Miss Louise Jordan.

LORDS, LADIES, SOLDIERS, PLAYERS, PRIESTS, &c.

During the Burial of 'OPHELIA,' an ORIGINAL DRAMA, Speciallly Composed for Mr. GEO. C. MILN, will be chanted by a number of Gentlemen Amateurs.

POPULAR PRICES: - 82 and \$1. Soldiers and Sailors Half Price to Pit.

Box Plan at Messrs. KELLY & WATSON.

NOTICE.

A SPECIAL THEATRE TRAIL will leave the Peak at 8.45 and return 15 minutes after the close of the Performance.

Doors Open 8.30; Overture 8.50. Curtain rises 9 o'clock prompt. For Programme of Season see Hand Bill.

Hongkong, March 19, 1891. 566

### FROM HAMBURG, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE S.S. *Agria*, Capt. E. CHRISTIANSEN, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for counter-signature by the Under-signed, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from *Agria*.

Optional cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before To-morrow, the 20th instant, at noon.

Any cargo impeding her discharge will be landed into the Godowns of the Hongkong, Kowloon, Wharf & Goods Co., Ltd., and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 20th inst. will be subject to rate.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined.

No fire insurance has been effected.

SIEMMSEN & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, March 19, 1891. 568

## To-day's Advertisements.

THE CHINA SHIPPERS' MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR LONDON.

The Co.'s Steamship *Kemun*, Capt. Wm. BURTON, Commander, will be despatched as above TO-MORROW, the 20th instant, at Daylight.

For Freight, apply to ARNOLD, KARBERG & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, March 19, 1891. 416

FOR SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, SAMARANG and SOURLABAYA.

The Steamship *Teekoo*, Capt. BURTON, will be despatched as above TO-MORROW (Friday), the 20th instant, at noon, instead of as previously advertised.

For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, March 19, 1891. 511

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

NOTICE.

STEAM TO YOKOHAMA, KOBE AND NAGASAKI.

(Passing through the INLAND SEA.)

The Co.'s Steamship General *Werner*, Captain M. EICHEN, will leave for the above Ports TO-MORROW AFTERNOON, Friday, the 20th instant, at 3 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to MELOCHERS & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, March 19, 1891. 551

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

NOTICE.

STEAM TO SHANGHAI.

The Co.'s Steamship *Sachsen*, Captain K. GÖSSER, will leave for the above Ports TO-MORROW AFTERNOON, Friday, the 20th instant, at 3 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, March 19, 1891. 552

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

NOTICE.

STEAM TO SHANGHAI.

The Co.'s Steamship *Sachsen*, Captain K. GÖSSER, will leave for the above Ports TO-MORROW AFTERNOON, Friday, the 20th instant, at 3 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, March 19, 1891. 552

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SHANGHAI (DIRECT).

(Taking up to Passengers at Hongkong for NINGPO, CHEFOO, TIENSIN, HANKOW and Ports on the YANGTZE.)

The Co.'s Steamship *Canton*, Captain K. GÖSSER, will leave for the above Ports TO-MORROW AFTERNOON, Friday, the 20th instant, at 3 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, March 19, 1891. 552

DAKIN BROS. & CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES:

STEAMSHIP *SACHSEN*, FROM BREMEN AND PORTS OF CALL.

The above-named Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasures and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns of the HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WEAVING AND GODOWN COMPANY, LTD., Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

OPTIONAL CARGO will go on to Shanghai unless notice to the contrary be given before 4 p.m. This Afternoon, the 19th instant.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 25th instant will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 25th instant will be subject to rate.

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## THE CHINA MAIL

pay without serious injury to our prosperity—and that, even from the narrowest point of view of the War Department, means without injury to our capacity to pay any contribution in future. Now I don't think it requires much consideration on the part of this Council to give a negative answer to the first question. Although it is true there is, as far as I know, no part of this expenditure which the Imperial Government would not have to incur if we were not here at all, for the defence of its trade in the East and the defence of this trading station, nevertheless, insomuch as the incidental effect of that expenditure is in our defence, the defence of our interests in that trade—which though relatively small are intrinsically very large—I cannot for a moment think, when our contribution is compared with the whole cost, that you will believe it is an unduly large one. When you bear in mind that the sum even as claimed by the members of the present Council is only about one-fourth and makes a large allowance, as I have always done, for the land occupied by the military on which no rent or rates are paid, I question very much whether, on impartial consideration, the very small proportion which we are asked to pay for the soldiers alone, apart altogether from the Fleet, for which we pay nothing, will be deemed an unfair one. Then, however, comes the question of our capacity to pay. After very full consideration of the matter I have no doubt whatever that we can conscientiously return the answer that we are able to pay without serious injury to our prosperity. At the same time I say "so long as" the present moment in the course of a few years may be very different, and as this question would become of great importance in the future, especially if fresh demands such as have been indicated are made upon us, I feel it necessary to dwell more on this subject than I should have done if the rate was a finality and if we had a guarantee that the position was always to be as it is. Unfortunately we are not at all sure that this vote is to be a final one, nor are we able to guarantee with certainty that the prosperity of the colony will remain. This colony is unquestionably as regards the outside world a very wealthy one, relatively to its area and population. The figures of its trade impress the outside world largely, and very justly so. At the same time we have to bear in mind that our wealth is almost entirely dependent on a trade which is much more liable to be affected by changes in condition than a trade like that of the United Kingdom, which is concerned in products grown or manufactured on the spot. Ours is the trade of a distributing centre. The greater part of the articles in which our trade is concerned are exported from the colony in the same condition that they are imported. Now it requires very little consideration to see that this is a trade of very delicate constitution, so to speak. If that fact were not self-evident, as I think it is, we have in the last 25 years a startling instance of its truth. The Island of St. Thomas in the West Indies, 25 years ago, was a distributing centre for a great number of the West Indian Islands and the whole of the Spanish mainland. To-day it is little but a dependency for supplies, and has lost other articles to competing steamer. Its function as a distributing centre is gone, and its trade in that capacity is at an end. I shall not enter into particulars as to the causes; it would take too long. But the immediate cause is that the merchants of the mainland and the islands who used St. Thomas as a distributing centre now find it cheaper to deal directly with those from whom they take their supplies, to whom they send their exports. Although we are in a very much better position—indeed, in a much better position—than St. Thomas was and although exactly the same circumstances which have injured St. Thomas would not affect us, nevertheless, this latter place affords an instance to some extent of how a change of conditions might affect us very seriously. At the present moment we are suffering very largely not merely from over-speculation but from other causes which have hit us extremely hard. One is the restrictive legislation against Chinese in Australia and America. Another is the increased growth of the poppy in China, which diminishes our opium imports; and a third is the decline in the export of Chinese tea owing to the competition of India and Ceylon. There can be no doubt about the fact that these three things hit us very hard. At the same time I am glad to see from the reports that we have come in for last year that apparently our share of trade in other directions has afforded a very miserable compensation. So far the tonnage has fallen, but it has risen again. Nevertheless we do not yet know the full effects of these three circumstances. We are still having for instance a considerable trade with Australia and America, because there are still a number of Chinese there who cannot be driven out. Therefore it is quite possible that our capacity to pay this amount may have been very much affected in the course of a few years, so that what we are able to pay now may become an intolerable hardship, and especially would the hardship be great unless an improvement of circumstances takes place, such as an increase of manufactures which I have always hoped for and which I believe will come. However, I have mentioned this rather as a question of the future. I do not believe, nor do I think, that members will, at the present moment, have anything but the fullest sympathy in paying this demand, supposing it to be just and fair, nor do I believe that hon. members after they calmly consider it will look upon the amount as either just and fair. If the demand had been made upon us sufficiently on the ground of its being just and fair I doubt very much whether there would have been any opposition on the part of this Council, or at all events any opposition on the part of a majority even of the "unofficial" members. I gather, however, that the objections to this vote depend almost entirely on the unfortunate representation which were made when this vote was first urged upon our attention. There can be no doubt whatever on looking at the despatch that the increase in the number of troops was put in the foreground of the reasons for asking this contribution, and it is all the more unfortunate that the representations which were made by this Council, while recognising the justice and fairness of the demand made upon the Colony, for an addition to the Military Contribution, desired to place upon record the fact that the vote authorising the additional payment has been passed by the unanimous voice of the Members, Official and Un-Official, in the belief that the proposed increase in the strength of the troops stationed here is essentially necessary for the safety of the Colony and its dependencies, and that the force must be increased in the opinion of the Secretary of State's despatch of the 20th January, 1890, 3,018 men of all ranks, of whom 2,626 are to be Europeans, will be present in the Colony within the year, and will be retained here.

Indemnity with regard to this vote by the British Government, and that indeed many voices following us here have said that the amount proposed is bound to the British taxpayers to pay what is justly their due. That is the view I have taken of it very strongly, and these being my reasons I can conscientiously say I can recommend this vote without any reluctance. I have sketched as far as I possibly can my reasons for believing that continued demands in future may be very dangerous, and the reasons why this very demand for an amount which can be borne now may possibly become injurious in the future, but considering the matter at the present time, I cannot help thinking that we not only have the ability, but that we ought to pay this amount now. I have nothing further to say, and I shall be glad to hear what our honourable members have determined.

Hon. P. Ryrie.—Your Excellency, the unofficial members have given further consideration to this question since last meeting, and they are not satisfied that the demand, unconnected by the fulfilment of the promise made, is a fair one. It is all very well to say that this Colony is able to pay this amount, but we know that many public works have been stopped, and it we are to be hampered with this burden I do not see that it can be considered that we are able to pay. We have agreed to pay it by cutting off something else.

The amount, if the Home Government kept faith with the colony, would probably be less than the sum then voted, but we would have to add upon it what we would have to add for an increased Garrison and an increased feeling of security in this Colony. We have also a comparatively weak Garrison and unless the Navy were to assist in the event of the colony being attacked we would be in a very bad case. My own impression is that we would have the assistance of the Navy, that they would feel bound to come home, whatever they may do outside. Of course probably the whole squadron would not be in the harbour, but they would give us as many ships as would assist the land forces. Since last meeting the unofficial members have had in their hands correspondence, despatches and minutes from members of the Council of Singapore, and it is clear that the Navy were very anxious to do so far as this colony is concerned, and took the part of the colony and not the part of the Colonial Office. The unofficial members take the view that they ought still to oppose this vote and they hope they will do so.

"What is meant by 'Military Expenditure' by means fairly represents the burthen which is really borne by the Colony on account of the garrison here."

There is also a paragraph in the despatch of the Officer Administering the Government which I shall read:

"I trust that Your Lordship will not fail to give due consideration to the statements contained in the 3rd of the enclosed Resolutions. They were presented to Sir G. William Des Voeux shortly before the 15th of December last, viz. —

"That the sum voted for the Extra £20,000 from the Colony generally is the extra £20,000 to be imposed on the rate-payers of the Colony, and that the same is to be paid by the members of the Legislative Council."

The Resolutions state that the increased vote should only be availed of in proportion to the increase in the garrison expenditure, and were at one time warmly and cordially supported by the Secretary of State for the Colonies. The Colonial Office despatch of 23rd May last to this War Office says —

"With reference to the letter from this Department of 24th January last regarding Hongkong Military contribution, I am directed by Lord Knutsford to transmit to you before Mr. Secretary Standard for his consideration and take the part of this colony that they 'had taken the part of the colony and not the part of the Colonial Office.' The unofficial members

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"In the view of that meeting, and it will be clearly and distinctly stated that a breach of faith has been committed by this colony. I think this question ought to be dealt with as Your Excellency may, with great care. The unofficial members have adopted certain resolutions bearing on the subject."

Para. 3 reads —

"As regards the second Resolution, Lord Knutsford considers that when the increased garrison has been supplied, the garrison may be expected to pay its proportion of the cost, viz. £40,000 per annum, provided there is no very large deficiency of men at any time, but as the basis of the present demand is the proposal of additional troops, his Lordship thinks that inasmuch as the garrison may be increased, the unofficial members have adopted great care to it and they can arrive at it by one conclusion—that if they take this amount the Imperial Government should perform its part of the bargain."

"The Hon. T. H. Whitehead said:—I have endeavoured to give due consideration to the remarks and the appeal made at last meeting of Council, to Honourable members not to pass your Excellency in the matter of the 15th of December last, viz. —

"That the sum voted for the Extra £20,000 from the Colony generally is the extra £20,000 to be imposed on the rate-payers of the Colony, and that the same is to be paid by the members of the Legislative Council."

Lord Knutsford desires me to add that the liberal manner in which the Unofficial Members of the Hongkong Legislature have met the demands of the Imperial Government, has enabled a constitutional crisis to be averted, and it will in his Lordship's opinion be politic to make my concession which may be possible to meet their views."

The War Office has not sent any extra troops; the average number of all ranks here was actually less in 1890 than in 1889; the Government has incurred no additional expenditure on the garrison since the date of Lord Knutsford's despatch of 10th January, 1890; yet, in spite of Lord Knutsford's appeal for a concession in our behalf, H. M.'s Ministers persist in demanding from this Colony a military contribution double the amount formerly paid without giving us any quid pro quo as agreed upon. In acknowledging the Colonial Office's despatch of 23rd May, the War Authorities shift their original grounds and endeavour to justify the continuance of this increased contribution for other reasons and other grounds which have not been submitted to this Council and which are not mentioned in the resolution of the Unofficial Members of the Imperial Government, that they should not pay the increased contribution until the troops are provided."

And para. 5 of same Despatch reads:—

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Lord Knutsford's despatch of 10th January, 1890, still demands the same amount as in 1889, and will only call upon the Colony to provide £4,000 per year for each of the three years 1890-1-2, the Colony bearing in addition the cost of any militia and volunteers which it may raise, and the contribution to be paid after 1892 being subject to reconsideration during these three years."

I will also quote a sentence from para. 8, which is as follows:—

"And in now informing you of the amount which Her Majesty's Government demand from the Colony as its contribution to the increased garrison I desire to draw your attention to the following considerations, which have been duly weighed before that amount was determined."

The increased contribution was voted by this Council last year entirely on the ground that the demand was just and fair. As far as I can see, the last despatch of Lord Knutsford, viz.: that the proposed increased garrison would necessarily increase the expenditure, and the vote was associated with and accompanied by certain resolutions, also voted by this Council, agreed to by this Council, as follows:—

"1. That this Council, while recognising the justice and fairness of the demand made upon the Colony for an addition to the Military Contribution, desired to place upon record the fact that the vote authorising the additional payment has been passed by the unanimous voice of the Members, Official and Un-Official, in the belief that the proposed increase in the strength of the troops stationed here is essentially necessary for the safety of the Colony and its dependencies, and that the force must be increased in the opinion of the Secretary of State's despatch of the 20th January last."

"That despatch, as does the letter from the War Office of the 13th of July, unquestionably refers to what the garrison in Hongkong was in 1889; to the amount of contribution then paid and to the revenue of the Colony in that year, and it then goes on to compare the state of things at that period with what exists at present."

But the real purpose of that Despatch was to argue for a further contribution to the Military Contribution, desired to place upon record the fact that the vote authorising the additional payment has been passed by the unanimous voice of the Members, Official and Un-Official, in the belief that the proposed increase in the strength of the troops stationed here is essentially necessary for the safety of the Colony and its dependencies, and that the force must be increased in the opinion of the Secretary of State's despatch of the 20th January last."

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## Notices to Consignees.

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.  
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Hongkong, March 17, 1891. 541

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G. de CHAMPEAUX,  
Agent.

Hongkong, March 12, 1891. 499

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Hongkong, March 17, 1891. 540

**THE CHINA SHIPPERS MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.**

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM LONDON, LIVERPOOL AND SINGAPORE.

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No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 22nd Inst. will be subject to rent.

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Hongkong, March 10, 1891. 523

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